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1. WE HAVE INFORMED MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA) BY TELEPHONE OF PROPOSED EXPERIMENT IN VERY GENERAL TERMS AND HAVE REQUESTED APPOINTMENT TO DISCUSS IT IN GREATER DETAIL NEXT WEEK. WE ANTICIPATE THAT IT MIGHT ALSO BE NECESSARY TO DISCUSS IT WITH OTHER SOVIET MINISTRIES UNLESS MFA UNDERTAKES TO DO SO.

2. IN ORDER TO BE BETTER ABLE TO RESPOND TO POSSIBLE SOVIET QUESTIONS, WE WOULD APPRECIATE ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE CONCERNING SO-CALLED NON-FREE-FLYING ZONE IN THE ARCTIC. SPECIFICALLY:

A) WHAT ARE THE COORDINATES OF THE ZONE?

B) WHAT FORM OF INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING, IF ANY, EXISTS CONCERNING RULES FOR OPERATIONS THERE?

C) IS THE DEPARTMENT AWARE OF WHETHER THE USSR VOICED AGREEMENT OR OBJECTION TO THE BOUNDARIES OF THIS ZONE AND TO ANY RULES OR UNDERSTANDING GOVERNING ITS USE?

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D) ARE THERE ANY PRECEDENTS FOR ACTIVITY IN THIS ZONE WHICH WE CAN CITE TO SOVIETS, PARTICULARLY PRECEDENTS WHERE THEY MAY HAVE ACQUIESCED IN FLIGHTS AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH CONDUCTED CLOSE TO SOVIET AIR SPACE?
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